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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 November 2007.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
| 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ |
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on August 20, 2007 has been entered. Claims 1, 5 have been amended. Claims 1-8 are pending in this application.

Specification

2. The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claim Objections

3. Claims 5-8 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 5 recites the limitation "the one or more web site identifiers" in line 10. There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. For purpose of examination, the examiner presumes the limitation refers to "one or more identifiers associated with a web site" recited earlier in the claim. Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

4. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

5. **Claims 1-3, 5, 7-8** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kelly et al. (US 5,907,322 A), hereinafter "**Kelly**".

As per claim 1, Kelly teaches a method of providing directed search for a website address broadcast on television (Col. 1 lines 15-30 and 55-67) comprising:

- "creating a database containing one or more website identifiers input by an advertiser associated with the television broadcast of the web site address" at Col. 3 lines 10-15;
- "permitting a user to search the database by inputting at least one of the web site identifiers" at Col. 3 lines 4-27;
- "providing to the user a search response including one or more web site address broadcast on television" at Col. 3 lines 23-27;
- "wherein the one or more web site identifiers include at least one member of the group consisting of: a physical location where the user received the television

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broadcast of the web site address; a time of day or date or dates when the user received the television broadcast of the web site address; a channel number or call-letters for the station on which the web site address was broadcast; and the name of a television program the user watched when the web site address was broadcast" at Col. 3 lines 17-23.

As per claim 2, Kelly teaches the method of claim 1, wherein "the search response further includes information related to a web site associated with the web site address broadcast on television" at Col. 3 lines 23-27.

As per claim 3, Kelly teaches the method of claim 1, wherein "the one or more web site identifiers further include at least one member of the group consisting of: a product or products associated with the web site address; a service or services associated with the web site address; a subject matter of interest associated with the television program or the web site address broadcast on television; and the name of a host, celebrity or personality associated with the television program" at Col. 3 lines 17-23.

As per claim 5, Kelly teaches a method for creating a directed search database of web sites broadcast on television (Col. 1 lines 15-30 and 55-67) comprising:

- "providing each of a plurality of information providers access to a secured portion of the database" at Col. 3 lines 10-15;

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- “providing each information provider one or more identifier categories” at Col. 3 lines 10-15;
- “allowing each information provider to store in the secured portion of the database one or more identifiers associated with a web site broadcast on television, each identifier corresponding to an identifier category” at Col. 3 lines 10-15;
- “creating a search query with the one or more identifier categories” at Col. 3 lines 15-20;
- “wherein the one or more web site identifiers include at least one member of the group consisting of: a physical location where the user received the television broadcast of the web site address; a time of day or date or dates when the user received the television broadcast of the web site address; a channel number or call-letters for the station on which the web site address was broadcast; and the name of a television program the user watched when the web site address was broadcast” at Col. 3 lines 5-15;
- “wherein a user searches the database by inputting at least one identifier in the search query, and a search result including a web site associated with the input identifier is provided when the search query is executed” at Col. 3 lines 4-28.

As per claim 7, Kelly teaches the method of claim 5, further comprising:

“allowing each information provider to store in the secured portion of the database non-identifier information relating to the web site” at Col. 3 lines 10-15.

As per claim 8, Kelly teaches the method of claim 5, wherein "the one or more identifiers further include at least one member of the group consisting of: a product or products associated with the web site address; a service or services associated with the web site address; a subject matter of interest associated with the television program or the web site address broadcast on television; and the name of a host, celebrity or personality associated with the television program" at Col. 3 lines 10-25.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. **Claims 4, 6** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kelly as applied to claims 1-3, 5, 7-8 above, and in view of Toki (US 5,895,462 A), hereinafter "Toki".

As per claims 4, 6, Kelly teaches the method of claims 1, 5 discussed above. Kelly does not explicitly teach that "the database is password protected". However, Toki a secured address database for storing URLs which is password protected at Col. 11 lines 33-45 and Fig. 14. Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the

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art at the time of the invention was made to implement a password protected database as suggested by Toki in order to prevent unauthorized accessing and modification to the database.

Response to Arguments

8. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-8 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Examiner's Note: Examiner has cited particular columns and line numbers in the references applied to the claims above for the convenience of the applicant. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings of the art and are applied to specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may apply as well. It is respectfully requested from the applicant in preparing responses, to fully consider the references in entirety as potentially teaching all or part of the claimed invention, as well as the context of the passage as taught by the prior art or disclosed by the Examiner.

The prior art made of record, listed on form PTO-892, and not relied upon, if any, is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

If a reference indicated as being mailed on PTO-FORM 892 has not been enclosed in this action, please contact Lisa Craney whose telephone number is (571) 272-3574 for faster service.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khanh B. Pham whose telephone number is (571) 272-4116. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 7:30am to 4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hosain Alam can be reached on (571) 272-3978. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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